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SUBJECT: EXPANSION OF VOA TRANSMISSION

1. WE HAVE NOTED THAT PRESIDENT CARTER, IN MESSAGE TO CONGRESS OF MARCH 22, DISCLOSED A REQUIREMENT FOR TWELVE ADDITIONAL VOA TRANSMITTERS FOR BROADCAST TO ASIA AND AFRICA, BEYOND THOSE REQUIRED FOR EUROPEAN BROADCAST.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT THE GOB IN CONNECTION WITH ITS EFFORTS TO DEVELOP NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY AS WELL AS TO EXPAND THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SIGNAL CAPABILITY OF RADIO BOTSWANA, MIGHT BE RECEPTIVE TO THE IDEA OF ERECTING A USG TRANSMITTER OR VOA RELAY STATION IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY. WE WOULD NOTE THAT NORTHERN BOTSWANA IS ABOUT MID-POINT BETWEEN ATLANTIC AND INDIAN OCEAN AND, WITH A RANGE OF 1000 MILES, TRANSMITTER COULD COVER ALMOST ENTIRE SOUTHERN

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AFRICA REGION FROM KINSHASA AND DAR TO THE CAPE.

3. AS FIRST STEP, WOULD BOTSWANA BE OF INTEREST GEOGRAPHICALLY AND TECHNICALLY AS SITE FOR ONE OF PROPOSED TRANSMITTERS? IF SO, WE WOULD WELCOME INSTRUCTIONS TO EXPLORE THE SUBJECT OF VOA AGREEMENT WITH GOB AND ROUGH OUTLINE OF WHAT SUCH AN AGREEMENT WOULD ENTAIL.

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